

Winter 2007



Exploring Nature at Your Seattle Parks . . .

Winter Events at Seattle's Environmental Learning Centers



Program registration

Mail-in and walk-in registration begins as soon as this brochure is available.

Program dates

January 1 through March 17, 2007

Holiday Closures

January 1, New Year's Day

January 15, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 19, Presidents' Day

Camp Long

Hours of operation

January – February:

Tuesday – Saturday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

March: Tuesday – Sunday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Cabin Reservations begin January 9, 2007

Phone and address

(206) 684-7434 FAX (206) 684-7435

5200 35th Ave. SW, Seattle WA 98126

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Discovery Park

Hours of operation

Tuesday through Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Phone and address

(206) 386-4236 Fax (206) 684-0195

3801 W. Government Way

Seattle, WA 98199

e-mail: discover@seattle.gov

Seward Park

Hours of operation

Staff available Office hours vary

Phone

(206) 684-4396 FAX (206) 386-4368

Carkeek Park

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Phone and address

206-684-0877 FAX (206) 684-7323

950 NW Carkeek Park Road

Seattle, WA 98177 •

Mission

Seattle Parks and Recreation will work with all citizens to be good stewards of our environment, and to provide safe and welcoming opportunities to play, learn, contemplate, and build community.

Visit us online at www.seattle.gov/parks

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Seattle's Environmental Learning Centers

Welcome to the first comprehensive brochure of all four Seattle Parks and Recreation Environmental Learning Centers (ELCs): **Camp Long, Seward Park, Discovery Park and Carkeek Park**. As you peruse this document, we hope you discover a new place to play, to learn about the plants and animals in the Puget Sound region, or to volunteer and build connections to the community. You may notice that similar classes and nature walks are offered at different ELCs for different prices. Over the years, the ELCs have developed separate ways of staffing their centers and funding their programs. This has led to pricing differences among them. We are working on addressing these differences so, in the future, prices are consistent among the ELCs. We hope you enjoy this new brochure. If you have any feedback about the brochure or the prices of programs, please feel free to call staff at one of the ELCs or call Anne Bentley at 206-386-9110.



Camp Long

This "Jewel of the Emerald City" is one of Seattle's best kept secrets. Located in West Seattle, this 68-acre forested park and Environmental Learning Center offers visitors an opportunity to enjoy nature, hike, camp overnight in rustic cabins, rock climb, and learn about nature.



Discovery Park

This 550-acre open space is located five miles north of downtown Seattle. Discovery Park features 8 miles of trails that take you through four distinct habitats – pond, meadows, forests, and salt-water beaches. There are outstanding views of Puget Sound, the Olympic Mountains, and Mt. Rainier throughout the park. The newest addition to the park is the West Point Lighthouse. Stop by the Environmental Learning Center located at the east entrance to the park to pick up a map and to find out what is happening in the park on the day of your visit.



Seward Park

Seward Park offers an abundance of recreational options. Located in southeast Seattle, this 277-acre old-growth-forest peninsula is a great place to explore, learn, play, and tour. With three miles of shoreline, grassy meadows, children's playgrounds, beach swimming, and picnic shelters, it's a great place to take your family for a day's outing.

The Seward Park Environmental & Audubon Center, a joint venture of Seattle Parks and Recreation and Audubon Washington, will be located in the landmark building at the entrance to Seward Park, adjacent to the ship playground. Our community campaign - **Seward Park Explore and Soar Capital Campaign** — successfully raised \$3 million for the renovation. We expect the renovation to be complete by June 2007; it includes classrooms, a library, a laboratory, offices, and community meeting space. We expect to offer a full complement of environmental education programs beginning in the summer of 2007. Please check the web for more detailed information at wa.audubon.org or <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/proparks/projects/sewardpark.htm>.



Carkeek Park

Discover the secrets of the Carkeek Watershed. Enjoy the park and remember, please do not disturb or take anything - there are urban natural systems at work!

Roam the trails. The Civilian Conservation Corps originally built many of the trails and the stone shelter in 1934.

Play at the playground. Slide through a salmon, crawl in a cave and read the petroglyphs.

Check out the historic Piper's Orchard. The Piper family grew the apples in the late 1880s and took them to Pike Place Market to sell. The orchard was "rediscovered" in 1983 under blackberry brambles and restored by the Piper's Creek Orchard Chapter of the Western Cascade Fruit Society. Many species of these apples were thought to be extinct.

Environmental Stewardship Volunteer Opportunities

2007 Discovery Park Docent Class

Interested in learning more about the flora and fauna of the Puget Sound region? Do you love sharing nature with others? Then you might be a perfect candidate for the Discovery Park docent program. Docents (volunteer naturalists) participate in 12 weeks of training and commit at least one year to volunteering at Discovery Park. Their responsibilities include everything from helping children catch a tadpole for the first time to teaching the public the important role spiders play in the world. Docents facilitate discovering the wonders of nature for park visitors of all ages. They do these things by leading programs for school groups, teaching interpretive programs on the weekends, and staffing hands-on discovery stations in the busier areas of the park. Docents' backgrounds are as varied as the people they teach - the common thread is their desire to share nature with park visitors.

The Class of 2007 begins in February. Applications are available now. For more information, please call the docent coordinator at 206-386-4231.

Carkeek Outdoor Work Parties: STARS

Looking for exercise, camaraderie, and a fun way to help the community? Join us at Carkeek Park and become one of our "STARS" (Stream, Trails And Restoration Stewards)! We are continually restoring and improving our native landscape. Help us in our efforts to keep the invasive plants at bay, create safe, user-friendly trails, replenish our native forests, and protect our streams from erosion and runoff. We have outdoor work parties every third Saturday of the month year-round. Follow the "STARS" work party signs to the meeting place.

All STARS work parties are from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.. This time is subject to change. Please call to confirm.

For information, call 206-684-0877. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes (no open toes or sandals). We'll provide gloves, tools, water, and snacks.

Sat, January 20

Sat, February 17

Sat, March 17

Discovery Park Habitat Restoration Work Parties

Discovery Park needs YOU! To help heal habitats. Healthy habitats provide good homes for wildlife and a beautiful place for you to visit.

We provide tools, gloves, and instructions.

All work parties are from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Please register ahead of time.

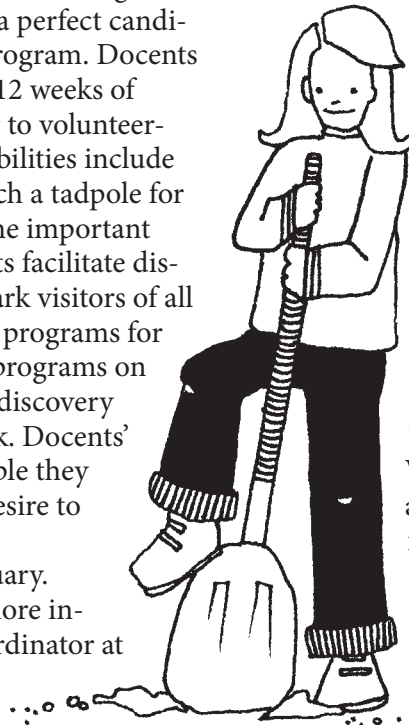
Sat, February 10

Sat, March 17

Wetlands Work Parties at Carkeek Park

Wetlands are important wildlife habitat areas, and are natural filtration systems for keeping watersheds healthy. Come help with the continuous restoration of Carkeek Park Wetlands area. Activities include invasive removal, planting, and general maintenance to improve wetlands water quality. Be prepared to get your feet wet and come participate in this unique volunteer opportunity. For more information and Saturday schedule, please e-mail Scott Stolnack at sastol@myuw.net or call him at 206-527-8353.

Co-sponsored by SPU Creek Stewards Program and Carkeek Park. Please register ahead of time.



Environmental Stewardship Volunteer Opportunities



Outdoor Work Parties at Camp Long

Camp Long Needs You!! to help us with trail maintenance, invasive plant removal, planting, weeding, and cleaning. Volunteers meet the first Saturday of each month (on holiday weekends, the second Saturday) to help in the physical upkeep of the park. Feel free to join us!

Ages 10 and older. No unaccompanied children please. To RSVP for a work party, please call Sheila Brown at 206- 684-7415 to let us know you are coming.

All work parties are from 10 a.m.– 1.p.m.

Sat, January 6

Sat, February 3

Sat, March 3

Youth Naturalists for Carkeek Park

Carkeek Park Youth Naturalists (YN) are teens relating nature to just about everyone.

Join the YN Team and help people explore the outdoors!

Learn how to teach about the urban natural world... it's a special skill! We'll teach you how.

The program accepts applications from 14-17 year olds attending high school. Youth Naturalists are volunteer assistants with Carkeek Park's stewardship and elementary school-aged day camp programs. Training includes public speaking, leadership assets, child care, and natural history skills. Students can use this experience for service learning or community service credits.

There is no fee. Please submit an application by April 9, 2007. Applications are available at career centers at local high schools and from Carkeek Park Environmental Learning Center.

Will you join the YN team this summer? We hope you apply now. Call 684-0877 and ask for Brian.

We'll offer competitive registration, stipends, and multi-week spring training for summer. Call (206) 684-0877 for more information.

Ages: High School, grades 9 to 12

April 24 – June 5



Programs

Living Green



Green Landscaping

Ages 14 and older

Just like architecture, your landscape influences you and the environment. The mild Northwest climate allows us to grow an amazing variety of plants. We will discuss the selection of native and non-native plants and strategies for environmental sustainability and backyard enjoyment. This class is taught by a botanist and landscape architect, so we encourage you to bring your plans and questions.

Please register the day before the program.

#11849 Sat, March 31 9:30 a.m. – Noon

\$9 per person



Green Architecture: A Northwest Perspective

Ages 14 and older

Green architecture is not a trend but a move toward sustainable living and healthy environments. Learn about what is involved and specifically what design strategies and techniques work well in the Northwest. This class is taught by an architect and botanist, so we encourage you to bring your plans and questions.

Please register the day before the program.

#11848 Sat, March 24, 9:30 a.m. – Noon

\$9 per person



Programs

Neighborhood Creek Stewardship



Free Piper's Creek Watershed Tours

Curious about the new street drainage projects in Broadview? Want to see the new sustainably-designed Environmental Learning Center at Carkeek Park? Always wondered what the "Welcome to Piper's Creek Watershed" sign really is about? We offer free tours for groups of eight or more. Call Beth Miller at 206-684-0877, ext. 6, for more information or to schedule your group.

Carkeek Park Citizen Water Quality Monitoring Team

Learn what water characteristics are important to the health of Piper's Creek aquatic life, special needs of the salmon, and how you can help protect the water quality of Puget Sound. Learn how to conduct water quality monitoring tests.

For more information, call Nancy Malmgren at 206-363-4116.

Sponsored by Carkeek Watershed Community Action Project (CWCAP), Piper's Creek Watershed Interpretive Program, SPU's Creek Steward Program, and Carkeek Park.

Creek Stewards

Creek Stewards adopt and care for habitat plantings along a creek, monitor their sites, and learn more about creek related topics through site stewardship workshops.

Location: Creekside sites in Thornton, Longfellow, and Piper's Creeks.

Contact Information: Please call Bob Spencer, Seattle Public Utilities Creek Steward Program Coordinator, at 206-684-4163 for details.



Longfellow Creek Programs

Longfellow Creek Is Longing For You!

Longfellow Creek Stewardship Committee is the community umbrella group caring for the watershed, trails, and greenspaces through work parties, grant writing for habitat, trail improvements, and creating outdoor events to celebrate the creek.

Longfellow Creek Council provides leadership in the protection and improvement of Longfellow Creek and its surrounding neighborhoods.

Monthly Saturday Workparties

Help us create and care for segments of the Legacy Trail along Longfellow Creek. 2nd: Roxhill Bog; 3rd: SW Brandon Street; 4th: SW Thistle Street. Call 923-0917 x111 for more info.

Monthly Potluck/meeting

Longfellow Creek Watershed Council/Stewardship Committee meets every second Monday, January through March, 2007, 6-8:30 p.m. at Camp Long Lodge. Please call for more information.

We provide guided walks, Legacy Trail maps, and/or presentations for your group/class by request.

Weekend Naturalist Series

Camp Long Winter Nature Walk

All Ages

From plants with and without leaves to birds, some bugs, and maybe salamanders in the pond — there is more life to enjoy in winter than one might think!

Please register the day before the program.

#11844 Sat, January 6. 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Adult Fee \$8, Child Fee \$6



Birds of the Blustery Beach

Ages 8 and older

Brave the elements of Puget Sound to view the best birds winter brings to Discovery Park's shores.

Please register the morning of the walk.

#13085 Sat, January 6 2 – 4 p.m.

Free



Evergreen Trees

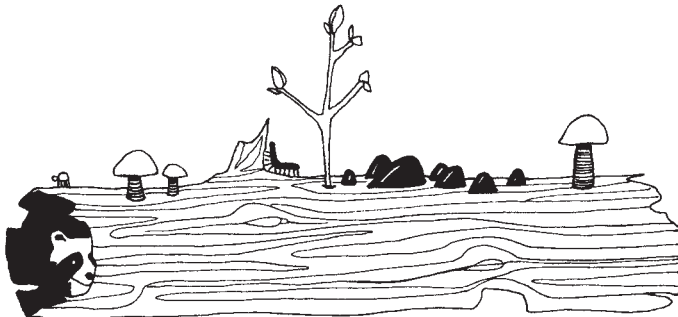
All ages

It's the perfect time of year to learn the plants that color our winter. Then have lunch in the Environmental Learning Center and in the afternoon – plant an evergreen in the park.

Please register the day before the walk.

#13086 Sat, January 20, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Free



Evergreen Trees – Planting

All ages

Plant a TREE! After you have spent the morning learning about evergreens – plant one. We will provide TREETS, trees, tools, and gloves – you bring energy and enthusiasm..

Please register the day before the walk.

#13087 Sat, January 20, 1 – 4 p.m.

Free



Seward Park Winter Nature Walk

Ages 3 and older

From plants with and without leaves to birds, some bugs, and maybe salamanders in the pond — there is more life to enjoy in winter than one might think.

Please register the day before the program.

#13080 Sat, January 27, 2 – 4 p.m.

Adult Fee \$8, Child Fee \$6

Use this key to determine program location



Carkeek Park



Camp Long



Discovery Park



Seward Park

Weekend Naturalist Series



Wildlife in Winter: struggle 4 survival

Ages 6 and older

Imagine if you were an animal that lived in Discovery Park. How would you be able to survive the darkest and coldest time of the year? On this walk, participants will discover the amazing strategies that animals use to survive the winter.

Please register the morning of the walk.

#13113 Sat, January 27 2 – 3:30 p.m.

Free



Hidden Beauties of the Winter Forest

All ages

When the leaves fall, hidden beauties of the winter forest are revealed. Experience Discovery Park's majestic big leaf maples draped in glimmering green moss; explore unique snags (standing dead trees) that provide homes for many forest creatures; view the towering nests of hawks and squirrels.

Please register the morning of the walk.

#13090 Sat, February 10 1 – 3 p.m.

Free



Twilight Hike

Ages 6 and older

Experience the park during this unique time of day. Learn about some animals that are most active at this time. Be sure to dress for the weather!

Please register the morning of the walk.

#13112 Sat, February 17 4 – 6 p.m.

Free



Salamander Love Night

Ages 6 and older

Did you know that our two local mole salamanders mate and lay eggs right around Valentine's Day? Come with us to look for these long-toed lovers, their Northwest friends, and the eggs in their watery bedrooms. Dress for the weather and bring a flashlight.

Please register the day before the program.

#11882 Sat, February 17 8 – 9:30 p.m.

\$8 per person



Fort Lawton & Beyond: A History Program

Ages 8 and older

Explore the rich and fascinating history of the property now known as Discovery Park, including its evolution from Fort Lawton.

Please register the morning of the walk.

#13088 Sat, February 24 2 – 4 p.m.

Free

Weekend Naturalist Series



Underground with Moles

All Ages

Explore the world of Moles, shrews, and Mountain Beavers. These burrowing beasts are seldom seen and poorly understood mammals that play an important part in the ecology of our Northwest forests. If you have them in your yard, learn how to co-exist with them.

Please register the day before the program.

#11885 Sat, March 10 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Adult Fee \$8, Child Fee \$6



Trees of Discovery Park

All ages

In celebration of the coming spring, come to the park and learn about your friends, the trees.

Please register the morning of the walk.

#13111 Sat, March 17 2 – 4 p.m.

Free



Spring has Sprung!

All Ages

Bid farewell to winter and welcome the heralds of Spring! Watch for tender new shoots, bursting wildflower buds, and enjoy the bubbly singing of Winter Wrens and trilling Trilliums.

Registration required the day before the program.

#11883 Sat, March 31 4 – 6 p.m.

Adult Fee \$8, Child Fee \$6

Use this key to determine program location



Carkeek Park



Camp Long



Discovery Park



Seward Park

Programs

Nature Classes



Nature Discovery Group Programs at Carkeek Park

Please call 206-684-0877 at least three weeks in advance of your preferred date to schedule a program.

Nature Discovery is a unique, adaptable ecology activity series that integrates science, language arts, and environmental programs with your classroom, community group, or service group. These two-hour-long programs meet Washington Essential Academic Learning Requirements and support National Science Foundation kit programs. Programs can be adapted and brought to your school, park, lake, or nearby green space. Interactive, investigative programs currently relate to wetlands, forest, salmon and beaches. We also provide a basic program on plant growth and development — most appropriate for younger elementary students — and a general ecology program is available for older elementary and middle school students.

Fee: \$100 for 1-15 students



Nighttime at the Beach

Ages 6 and older

Good low “tidings” to you! Bring your family and friends and join a naturalist for a fascinating low tide walk at night! Enjoy a whopping -2.4 low tide! Call Camp Long for directions.

Please register before the program.

#11850 Mon, January 1 8:30 – 10:30 p.m.

\$8 per person



Hawks of the Flats

Ages 8 and older

Experience the thrill of seeing Bald Eagles, Rough-legged Hawks, and (we hope) a falcon or two amidst the beautiful backdrop of the river flats of Northwestern Washington. Transportation, naturalist guides, and road trip snacks are all included in class fee.

Class meets at Discovery Park Environmental Learning Center

Please register by close of business January 31.

#13089 Sat, February 3 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

\$20 per person

Seattle Parks in the Dark

Ages 5 and older

Take a nocturnal walk through some of the best parks in Seattle for viewing wildlife. Each walk will end with a campfire and a marshmallow roast. Dress for the weather and bring a flashlight. **Call Camp Long at 206-684-7434 for directions.**

Please register by close of business the day before the program.

All Parks in the Dark run from 7 - 9 p.m. and cost \$8 per adult and \$6 per child.

Location: Schmitz Preserve

#11874 Sat, January 27

Location: Fauntleroy Park

#11870 Sat, February 10

Location: Me-Kwa-Mooks Park

#11873 Sat, February 24

Location: Seward Park

#11875 Sat, January 13

Location: Camp Long

#11851 Sat, March 3.

Programs

Owl Hoots in Seattle Parks

Ages 5 and older

Join us for a dusk-to-dark owl prowl through some of the forests in Seattle city parks. Learn to talk to owls. It'll be a hoot! Dress for the weather and bring a flashlight. **Call Camp Long at (206) 684-7434 for directions.**

Please register by close of business the day before each owl prowl.

All Owl Hoots cost \$8 for adults and \$6 for children.

Location: Schmitz Preserve

#11876 Mon, January 1 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: Camp Long

#11841 Sat, January 6 4 - 6 p.m.

Location: Seward Park

#13079 Sat, January 27 5 - 7 p.m.

Location: Camp Long

#11842 Sat, February 17 5 - 7 p.m.

Location: Schmitz Preserve

#11877 Sat, March 10 4:30-6:30p.m.

Location: Camp Long

#11843 Sat, March 31 7 - 9 p.m.



Family Fridays at Carkeek Park

Ages 3 and older

Come join us for an evening of family fun and activities on Friday evenings starting in January. Past Fridays have included evening hikes, arts & crafts, storytelling, science workshops, and film screenings. Please register in advance.

#13115 Fri 7 - 8:30 p.m.

January 12 - March 16

Free

Arts and Nature

Fireside Festival Improvisation Workshop at Camp Long ELC

Ages 18 and older

Through this movement workshop, we will find and craft uninhibited intuitive reactions into intelligent compositional design that is intimate, articulate and emotionally satisfying using a simple and fun technique called The Viewpoints. The workshop will culminate in a performance as part of The Fireside Improvisation Festival at the Camp Long Lodge.

Registration required by close of business the day before the program.

#11846 Sat 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

January 13 - February 10

\$175 per person

Winter Pottery at Camp Long ELC

Ages 5 and older

Enjoy a winter walk, hot chocolate, a warm fire, and fun making a beautiful art object inspired by nature. Your art project will be fired in a kiln and available for pick up several weeks later.

Please register by close of business the day before the program.

#11886 Sat, February 3 7 - 9 p.m.

Adult Fee \$8, Child Fee \$6

Programs

Senior Adults Program

Sound Steps Walks

Sound Steps is a free walking program for senior adults! Meet new friends, win prizes, and enjoy the many health benefits of walking.

Discover Walking

Walk the 2.8 mile Discovery Park Loop Trail. Meet at the visitor center.

Ages 55+

Fridays 10 a.m. – Noon

January 2 – March 16

Fees: Free

Location: Central Discovery Park

Sound Steps Urban Hike: Discovery Park

Enjoy Seattle's largest city park with views of Cascade and Olympic Mountain Ranges. This trail is not wheelchair/walker accessible. Bring a lunch; dessert is provided. Meet at visitor's center.

Ages 50+

Thu, March 15, 11 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Fees: Free

Location: Central Discovery Park

Seward Park Walk

Enjoy Southeast Seattle's greatest walking destination! Look for the Hyde Shuttle van in the parking lot near the tennis courts.

Mon, Tue 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

January 2 – March 16

Fees: Free

Location: South Seward Park

For questions and to register, call Sound Steps Coordinator Mari Becker at 206-684-4664.

Nature Classes

Nature's Storytime at Discovery Park

This 30-minute story session is geared toward pre-schoolers with adults. It's great entertainment for you and your children, and an opportunity for you to find out about nature-oriented children's books.

All storytimes are \$1 per person and run from 10:30-11 a.m.

Rain

#13093 Wed, February 21

Trees

#13094 Wed, January 24

Wind

#13096 Wed, March 14

Eye Wonder Programs at Carkeek Park

Introduce your pre-school children to natural wonders with our one-hour programs: Mice and Monsters - animal homes and behavior, or Earth Secrets - senses and nature. Each theme includes four unique habitat based programs: choose from wetlands, stream, forest, or beach (for example: "Earth secrets — Wetlands").

Please call at least three weeks in advance of your preferred trip date to schedule a program.

Programs



Carkeek Park Tyke Hikes

Ages 3 – 5

You and a naturalist will share a new subject each week through stories, songs, crafts, and outdoor activities. Minimum 8 tykes per program day. If a child is coming for only one session, the fee is \$5, and please call ahead for availability. Up to three children can be signed up with one adult. **Please register in advance.**

#13114 Thu 1:30 – 2:45 p.m.

January 11 – March 1

\$35 per child for the series

Preschool/Parent Adventure – Winter Forest at Discovery Park

4 and 5 year olds with an adult

Adults, this is your chance to share an adventure with your child or with your favorite 4 or 5 year old friend. Let's bundle up and hit the trail! Along the way we'll see what forest animals are up to when it's cold and wet. Then we'll head back to the indoors for a snack and a craft project.

Please register by close of business January 4.

#13099 Sat, January 6 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

\$12 per person

Nature Walks for Tots at Discovery Park

These one-hour nature exploration walks are for children 2-3 years old with an adult. Children must be at least two years old and younger than four years old to participate.

Up to two children can be registered with one adult.

Due to the popularity of these programs, you may sign up for only two tot walks per quarter.

Tot walks cost \$3 per person

Winter Wonders

#13110 Sat, December 30 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Shapes in Nature

#13107 Sat, January 13 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

#13109 Wed, January 17 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

#13108 Wed, January 17 11 a.m. – Noon

Puddles and Ponds

#13104 Wed, February 7 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

#13105 Wed, February 7 11 a.m. – Noon

#13106 Sat, February 10 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Magic Noses and Hands

#13101 Wed, March 7 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

#13102 Wed, March 7 11 a.m. – Noon

#13103 Sat, March 10 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Programs

Out of School Care/ Camps

Mid-Winter Break Nature Day Camp at Discovery Park

Ages 4 – 8

Have fun exploring Discovery Park, making friends, playing games, and creating crafts during Seattle Public Schools' mid-winter Break.

#13712 February 20 – 23

Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

\$160 per person



Spring Break Nature Day Camp at Discovery Park

Ages 4 – 8

Campers will visit the beach, meadow, ponds and forests of Discovery Park, and play games, create art, and make new friends during Seattle Public Schools' spring break.

#13711 Mon – Fri 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

April 9 - 13

\$200 per person

Discovery Park Nature Kids Preschool

Ages 3 – 5

Applications are available on-line for preschool in January 2007.

2007/2008 enrollment starts on February 14, 2007 starting at 8:30 a.m. Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis.

#13092 Mon – Fri

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

January 2 – May 14

5 Days \$2,112

4 Days \$1,680

3 Days \$1,344

2 Days \$840

Orientation for Nature Kids

Wed, February 7 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Discovery Park Summer Nature Day Camp

Lottery registration begins March 1, 2007.

Paper registration materials will be available soon.

Online registration materials will be available January 2007.



Programs



Discovery Park Summer Nature Day Camp Tee Shirt Contest

Campers spend a week in Discovery Park exploring and learning about the plants and animals that make their homes here. All 700 campers who attend camp receive a tee shirt. What if your design was on that tee shirt?

Who can enter? Children ages 12 and younger

What do you need? A black and white drawing on an 8 1/2" x 11" piece of paper of an animal and/or plant found in Discovery Park.

Where do I send it?

Tee Shirt Contest, Discovery Park NDC,
3801 W. Government Way, Seattle, WA 98199

When is it due? March 1, 2007

Please put your name, age, phone number, and the name of responsible adult on the back of your entry. All entries become property of the Discovery Park Advisory Council. The winning entry will be published in our summer brochure, and the winner(s) receive a free tee shirt. Please do not put entries for tee shirt contest in day camp registration envelopes!

Junior Naturalist for Discovery Park Nature Day Camps

Are you between the ages of 12 and 16? Do you enjoy working with children? Do you love nature? If you answered yes to these three questions, check out the Junior Naturalist program at Discovery Park. Junior Naturalists participate in a fun training. They explore the park, discover new tips for working with children, and meet new friends. During the summer, Junior Naturalists spend two weeks volunteering for Nature Day Camp. To learn more about the program, join us for an orientation.

Orientation

Ages 12 to 16 year olds

Wed, March 7 7 – 8 p.m.

Discovery Park Nature Day Camps Employment Opportunities

See our website for more information.
<http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Environment/dis-covparkrecruit.htm>

Special Events

2007 Discovery Park Volunteer Open House

Interested in making a difference? Kick off the new year on the right foot by exploring the possibility of becoming a volunteer at Discovery Park. Join us for our annual open house. Meet current volunteers and find the perfect niche for your skills.

Vacant Volunteer Positions:

- ◆ project assistant
- ◆ bird sightings database entry
- ◆ bird tour leader
- ◆ docent (volunteer naturalist)
- ◆ habitat restoration steward
- ◆ office assistant

Sat, January 13 1 – 3 p.m.



WANTED: Salmon Friendly Gardens

For the 5th Annual Piper's Creek Watershed-Friendly Real People's Garden Tour- June 2, 2007

We are looking for natural/organic gardens to feature on our Garden Tour. The gardens ideally feature watershed- friendly or sustainable gardening practices, including native and/or drought tolerant or disease resistant plantings, mature evergreens, and backyard wildlife habitat plantings. If you or anyone you know have information regarding the whereabouts of such watershed-friendly gardens, please call Beth or Gretchen at 206-386-9154 ASAP. Or if you would like to be a volunteer for that day and help out in a featured garden, we'd love to have you. Please call us!

Environmental Film Nights at Camp Long ELC

The Northwest Environmental Education Council and Camp Long Advisory Council are happy to bring you monthly Environmental Film Nights. Join us on the last Thursday of every month for a screening of a different sustainability or environmental film. We provide snacks; discussion is welcome. Please register ahead of time.

Time: 7 - 9 p.m.

Fee: Donation.

An Inconvenient Truth

Humanity is sitting on a ticking time bomb. If the vast majority of the world's scientists are right, we have just ten years to avert a major catastrophe that could send our entire planet into a tailspin of epic destruction involving extreme weather, floods, droughts, epidemics, and killer heat waves beyond anything we have ever experienced. **Jan 25**

Who Killed The Electric Car

It was among the fastest, most efficient production cars ever built. It ran on electricity, produced no emissions, and catapulted American technology to the forefront of the automotive industry. The lucky few who drove it never wanted to give it up. So why did General Motors crush its fleet of EV1 electric vehicles in the Arizona desert?

Feb 22

LOLITA: Slave to Entertainment

On Mother's Day 2002, Valerie Silidker and Tim Gorski set out to uncover the real life story of the world's oldest performing whale. The intimate, heart-rending tale unfolded before them as they unearthed many heavily guarded secrets of the multi-billion dollar Marine Theme Park industry.

Mar 29

General Information

Fish-Friendly Car Wash Kit Available at Carkeek Park!

Car washes can be terrific fundraisers, and a great way to build community. BUT . . .if a car wash is done incorrectly it can hurt local fish and other wildlife. Most storm drains and ditches around Carkeek Park and the neighborhoods of Blue Ridge, Broadview, Crown Hill and Greenwood connect to Piper's Creek, so soapy water, dirt, and phosphates get into the creek. Seattle Public Utilities has developed a car wash kit you can borrow that collects the soapy water and pumps it to a sanitary connection. (SPU will lend you the pump, catch basin insert, hose and extension cord.) The kit is available at Carkeek Park.

To borrow the kit for your next community car wash fundraiser or to find out more, call 206-684-0877. A \$25 fully-refundable deposit is required when borrowing the kit.



Discovery Day Packs

For an “on-your-own” environmental learning experience for small groups (6-8 children with an adult), Discovery Daypacks are available at the Environmental Learning Center. Come borrow our Beach, Forest, or Wetland Ecology Packs today! Each backpack comes filled with games, craft ideas, magnifying glasses, dip nets, field tools, field guides, and more for exploring Carkeek Park! “Pack” activities

- ◆ are free, one per small group
 - ◆ are designed for children Grades K-5
 - ◆ require adult supervision
 - ◆ focus on self-guided family-oriented education
- Check out a free backpack with a valid Washington Driver's License or credit card. Backpacks are available Monday through Friday at 10 a.m. and must be returned by 3 p.m.



Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| January | | | | | | |
| | 1 Nighttime at the Beach Camp Long 8:30-10:30 p.m. Owl Hoot at Schmitz Park Camp Long 4:30-6:30 p.m. | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Outdoor Work Parties Camp Long 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Pre-K/Parent Adventure - Winter Forest Discovery ELC 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Camp Long Winter Nature Walk Camp Long 1:30-3:30 p.m. Camp Long OWL HOOT Camp Long 4-6 p.m. Birds of the Blustery Beach Discovery Park 2-4 p.m. |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 12 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 13 2007 Volunteer Open House 1-3 p.m. Totswalk-Shapes in Nature Discovery ELC 10:30 -11:30 a.m. Fireside Festival Improvisation Workshop Camp Long 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Park in the Dark at Seward Park Seward Park 7-9 p.m. |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 Totswalk-Shapes in Nature Discovery ELC 9:30.-10:30 a.m. Totswalk-Shapes in Nature Discovery ELC 11 a.m.-Noon | 18 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 19 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7.-8:30 p.m. | 20 Carkeek Outdoor Work Parties: STARS Evergreen Trees Discovery Park 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Evergreen Trees - Planting Discovery Park 1-4 p.m. Improvisation Workshop Camp Long 1-4 p.m. |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 Nature's Storytime - Trees Discovery ELC 10:30-11 a.m. | 25 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. Env. Film Night Camp Long An Inconvenient Truth 7-9 p.m. | 26 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 27 Wildlife in Winter: struggle 4 survival Discovery ELC 2-3:30 p.m. Seward Park Owl Hoots Seward Park 5-7 p.m. Seward Winter Nature Walk Seward Park 2-4 p.m. Park in the Dark Hike at Schmitz Park Camp Long 7-9 p.m. Improvisation Workshop Camp Long 1-4 p.m. |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 2 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 3 Outdoor Work Parties 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Winter Pottery Camp Long 7-9 p.m. Hawks of the Flats Discovery Park 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Improvisation Workshop Camp Long 1-4 p.m. |

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| February | | | | | | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Totswalk-Puddles and Ponds Discovery ELC 9:30 -10:30 a.m. Totswalk-Puddles and Ponds Discovery ELC 11 a.m.-Noon Discovery Park Nature Kids Preschool Orientation 6:30-7:30 p.m. | 8 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 9 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 10 Discovery Park Habitat Restoration Work Parties 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Totswalk-Puddles and Ponds Discovery ELC 10:30 -11:30 a.m. Hidden Beauties of the Winter Forest Discovery Park 1-3 p.m. Park in the Dark Hike at Fauntleroy Park Camp Long 7-9 p.m. Improvisation Workshop Camp Long 1-4 p.m. |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 16 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 17 Carkeek Outdoor Work Parties: STARS Twilight Hike Discovery ELC 4-6 p.m. Camp Long OWL HOOT Camp Long 5-7 p.m. Salamander Love Night Camp Long 8-9:30 p.m. |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Mid-Winter Break Nature Daycamp Discovery ELC 9 a.m.-2 p.m. | 21 Mid-Winter Break Nature Daycamp Discovery ELC 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Nature's Storytime - Rain Discovery ELC 10:30 -11 a.m. | 22 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. Mid-Winter Break Nature Daycamp Discovery ELC 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Env. Film Night Who Killed The Electric Car 7-9 p.m. | 23 Mid-Winter Break Nature Daycamp Discovery ELC 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 24 Fort Lawton & Beyond: A History Program Discovery ELC 2-4 p.m. Park in the Dark Hike at Me-Kwa-Mooks Park Camp Long 7-9 p.m. |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 1 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 2 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 3 Outdoor Work Parties Camp Long 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Park in the Dark Nighthike at Camp Long Camp Long 7-9 p.m. |

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| March | | | | | | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Totswalk-Magic Noses and Hands Discovery ELC 9:30 -10:30 a.m. Totswalk-Magic Noses and Hands Discovery ELC 11 a.m.-Noon Junior Naturalist for Discovery Park Nature Day Camp Orientation 7-8 p.m. | 8 Carkeek Tyke Hikes Carkeek ELC 1:30-2:45 p.m. | 9 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 10 Totswalk-Magic Noses and Hands Discovery ELC 10:30 -11:30 a.m. Underground with Moles Camp Long 9:30 -11:30 a.m. Owl Hoot at Schmitz Park Camp Long 4:30-6:30 p.m. |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 Nature's Storytime - Wind Discovery ELC 10:30 -11 a.m. | 15 | 16 Family Fridays Carkeek ELC 7-8:30 p.m. | 17 Carkeek Outdoor Work Parties: STARS Discovery Park Habitat Restoration Work Parties 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Trees of Discovery Park Discovery ELC 2-4 p.m. |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 Green Architecture: A Northwest Perspect Camp Long 9:30 a.m.-Noon |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Env. Film Night LOLITA: Slave to Entertainment 7-9 p.m. | 30 | 31 Green Landscaping Camp Long 9:30 a.m.-Noon Spring is Sprung! Camp Long 4-6 p.m. Camp Long OWL HOOT Camp Long 7-9 p.m. |
| April | | | | | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 Announcing Openings: Youth Naturalists for Carkeek Park | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |

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Park Notes

E-Brochures are available!

In keeping with our environmental stewardship policies, we're trying to reduce the amount of paper we use. We invite you to visit our web site at www.seattle.gov/parks. You can find this brochure information online.

Suggestions

We welcome your ideas. If you want to suggest a new class, or if you have an idea you think would benefit us or our community in general, please let us know.

Anti-discrimination

As a matter of policy, law, and commitment, Seattle Parks and Recreation does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, political ideology, age, creed, religion, ancestry, national origin, or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical handicap.

Accommodation for people with disabilities.

We will make reasonable accommodation, upon request, for people with disabilities. For sign language interpretation, auxiliary aids or other accommodation, please call (206) 615-0140 or TDD (206) 684-4950. Please allow 10 working days' advance notice. If a class or activity is scheduled in an area not accessible for wheelchairs, we will make every effort to help you find a similar program in an accessible location.

Rentals

For information about room rentals, please view our facility rental brochure. (<http://www.cityofseattle.net/parks/reservations/facrentalguide.htm>)

More information

For information about Parks and Recreation facilities, recreation programs, picnic shelters, and scheduling, please visit our web site at www.seattle.gov/parks, or call our Public Information line, (206) 684-4075. For more information about programs for senior adults, please call (206) 684-4951, and for information about programs for special populations, please call (206) 684-4950.

Payment

You can pay for classes and other activities by mail, in person during regular facility hours, or by telephone with a credit card. We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express. Please make checks and money orders out to the City of Seattle. PLEASE NOTE: Payment is due when you register, unless we have indicated otherwise. If your check is returned for insufficient funds, your registration will be cancelled until you pay the amount due, plus a \$20 fee. (Credit card or cash only.) We are working on a system that will make online registration available.

Fees and charges

Our Advisory Councils provide the programs and activities listed in this brochure under an agreement with Seattle Parks and Recreation. Fees collected by the Advisory Councils are used to offset the cost of providing the programs. Program charges include a user fees paid to Seattle Parks and Recreation to defray operating costs. Class and program fees include Washington State sales tax where applicable.

Refunds

It is the policy of Seattle Parks and Recreation and the Associated Recreation Council that:

- Anyone who registers for a class, camp, special event or program that is cancelled for any reason by Parks and Recreation or the Advisory Council will receive a full refund.
- Anyone who registers for a day camp, trip, overnight camp, special event, or facility rental, and who requests a refund 14 days or more before its start (or before the second session of a class), may receive a refund minus a service charge.
- Anyone who registers for a day camp, trip, overnight camp, special event, or facility rental, and who withdraws from the activity fewer than 14 days before its start (or after the second session of a class), will receive no refund.
- Please read the entire policy, #7.16, for specific information.

Scholarships

Our Advisory Councils want to ensure that our activities, classes and sports are available to everyone, regardless of their ability to pay. The Council may choose to offer scholarships for qualified applicants. To apply for a scholarship, please talk to a member of our staff.

Waiting lists

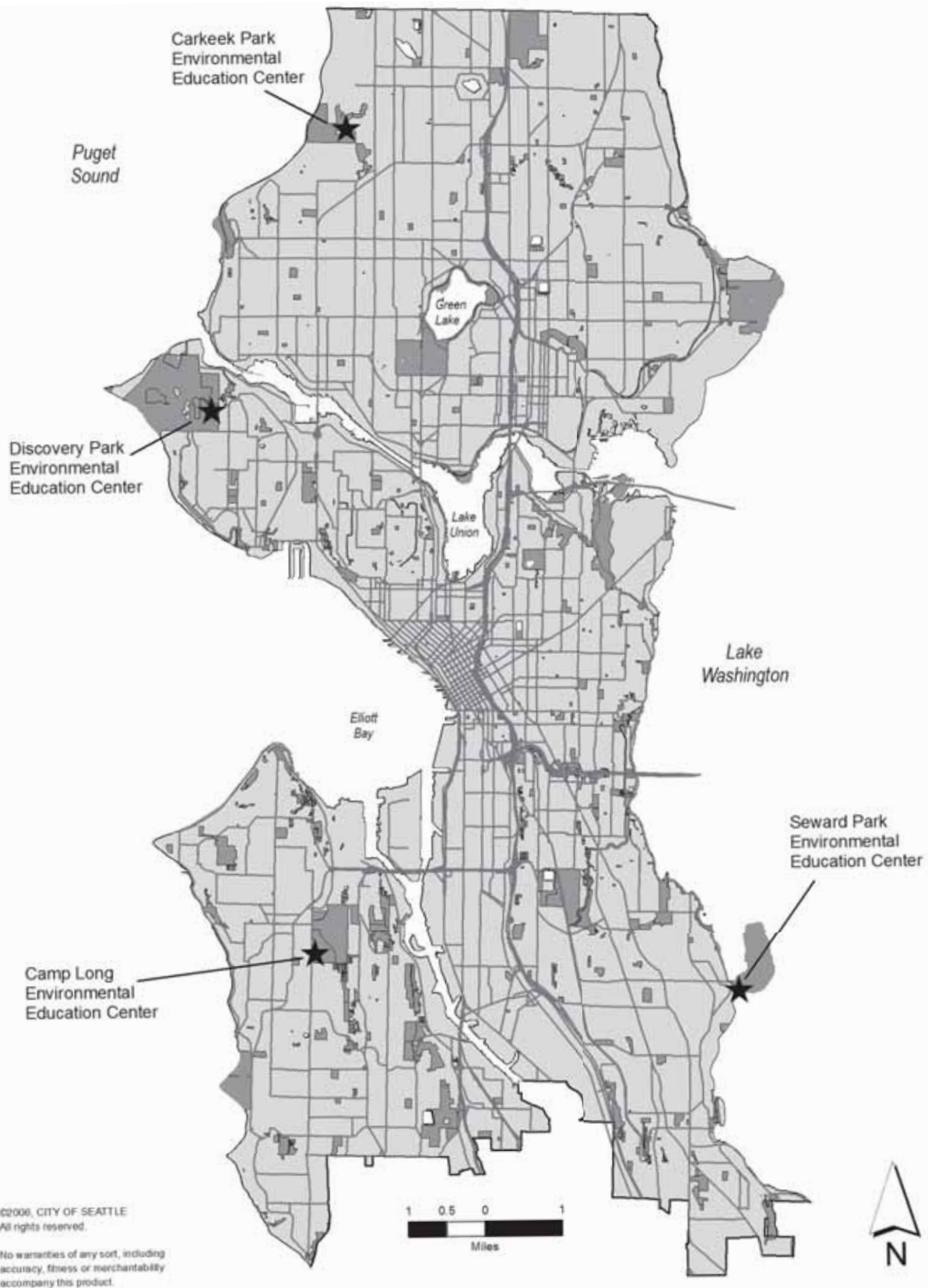
We will create waiting lists for all filled classes. Please be sure to sign up if you are interested in a class that is full, because class openings often become available. If demand is high, we will try to form another class. Please contact us for space availability.

Class cancellations

To cover the cost of providing a program, we need a specific number of participants. If too few people sign up for a class, we must cancel it. We'll notify you (at the latest) one or two days before the class start date. When possible, we will postpone a cancelled class for a week to allow for more enrollments; if the class minimum is not met by then, we will have to cancel it.

Confirmations

Sorry, we cannot confirm class registration by mail or phone, but we will notify you by phone if your class is postponed or cancelled.



Pro Parks Levy

The Pro Parks Levy is making a difference in your community

With funding approved for this eight-year levy by Seattle voters in 2000, we're building new parks, enhancing maintenance, and expanding programs throughout the city. Our recreation facilities are providing innovative teen programs that enhance self-esteem and build life skills, more environmental education to increase awareness about the wonders that surround us, swimming lessons for all 3rd and 4th graders to make sure every Seattle child knows how to swim, a wider range of activities for seniors, and more.

We're cleaning and removing litter from our facilities and parks more often; expanding park maintenance in the summer months, when use is high; and working hard to maintain our valuable landscapes, trees, and other natural assets. Whether you prefer sports or quiet contemplation, there are more active play areas and passive park lands available for you. New things are happening every day, so keep an eye out for Pro Parks Levy signs in your neighborhood!

Coming this Spring,
Online Registration!



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